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To: Lupita Cortez Alcala
Subject: FW: LA Teachers Strike
Date: Monday, January 14, 2019 2:27:02 PM

From: Andrew Roth
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 2:23 PM
Cc: CalSTRS Executive Staff <CalSTRSExecutiveStaff@CalSTRS.com>; Jill Lukins <JLukins@CalSTRS.com>; Krista Noonan <KNoonan@CalSTRS.com>
Subject: LA Teachers Strike

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We'll keep you updated as we learn more.

Thanks,
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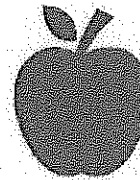
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January 15, 2019

CONTACT:

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Colleagues as reported this morning, please see below today's update for attendance figures and other information including fiscal impacts from Day 3 of the strike.

Today, 132,411 students attended Los Angeles Unified's 1,240 elementary, middle and high schools, according to attendance reports submitted to Los Angeles Unified. This represents a 22% decrease from yesterday's attendance. Today's attendance number is incomplete because 12 schools had yet to submit reports through Los Angeles Unified's internal attendance system.

The adjusted number of students who attended school yesterday is 171,480. This number may still be subject to adjustment based on additional reporting.

Total gross revenue lost for the three days of the strike is \$69.1 million based on attendance numbers reported.

Below is a chart that outlines additional data about Los Angeles Unified's operations during the UTLA strike.

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
	January 14	January 15	January 16
ATTENDANCE	*156,774	*171,480	*132,411
BREAKFAST SERVED	100,718	109,998	68,366
BUS RIDERSHIP	8,608	7,837	7,104
ADA REVENUE LOST	*\$22.8 million	*\$21.7 million	*\$24.6 million

*Numbers available at the time of reporting. Attendance needs to be validated for K-12 students only.

No contract negotiations have taken place since UTLA rejected Los Angeles Unified's last offer on January 10, 2019 and walked away from the table. Los Angeles Unified would like to resume negotiations as soon as UTLA is willing.

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To: Glen Price
Cc: Bill Ainsworth
Subject: RE: LAUSD Strike
Date: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 5:32:00 PM

Thanks drive safely.

From: Glen Price
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:12 PM
To: Lupita Cortez Alcala <LAlcala@cde.ca.gov>
Cc: Bill Ainsworth <BAinsworth@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Fw: LAUSD Strike

Hi Lupita - just a heads up that the front desk is getting a lot of LAUSD-strike related calls.

I am going to head home before the storm gets more intense but I am available by phone or email if you need any help with this.

Best,

Glen

From: Andy Mackis
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 11:31 AM
To: Glen Price
Subject: LAUSD Strike

Just a reminder that we have been getting a lot of calls from parents and teachers wondering why the Superintendent has not mad a statement or got involved in the teachers strike.

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To: Dunn, Jeffrey
Subject: DAILY UPDATE -- LAUSD TEACHERS STRIKE - DAY 4
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Colleagues as you may have read, state and local leaders including the Governor, State Superintendent, and Mayor have directly interceded to encourage leadership of UTLA and the school district to resume negotiations. I am pleased to report that today at noon both sides began discussions again to try to come to an agreement to end the strike. Today was the first day of negotiations since UTLA rejected Los Angeles Unified's latest offer on January 11, 2019. Los Angeles Unified remains committed to working around the clock to find a solution that ends the strike.

Today, 83,928 students attended Los Angeles Unified's 1,240 elementary, middle and high schools as UTLA returned to contract negotiations. This represents a 37% decrease from yesterday's attendance. Today's attendance number is incomplete because 10 schools have yet to submit reports through Los Angeles Unified's internal attendance system.

The adjusted number of students who attended school yesterday is 134,724. This number may still be subject to adjustment based on additional reporting.

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	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
	January 14	January 15	January 16	January 17
ATTENDANCE	*156,774	*171,480	*134,724	*83,928
BREAKFAST SERVED	100,718	109,998	91,736	56,222
BUS RIDERSHIP	8,608	7,837	7,104	5,278
ADA REVENUE LOST	*\$22.8 million	*\$21.7 million	*\$24.4 million	*\$28.1 million

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	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
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Cc: Gerri White; Jeffrey Reyes
Subject: SSB Updates
Attachments: Division Update Agenda.docx

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The other thing that will likely attract some attention and that I will be tracking over the next couple of days is the LAUSD strike, Lupita and the SPI were busy with the same stuff I was last week. UC Regents is this week and it looks like they have mostly been in meetings related to that today.

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Nick Schweizer
Deputy Superintendent
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Attachment

Draft Q2 1:1 Agenda

Division X

1. Review of mission/purpose of Division
2. Update on Q1 goals
 - Goal #1
 - Action steps taken to date
 - Outcomes
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 - Action steps taken to date
 - Outcomes
 - Additional action steps
 - Goal #3
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3. Additional goals for Q2
 - Update on division performance and priority areas for improvement
 - Goals
 - How success will be measured
4. Plan to achieve Q2 goals
 - Strategy
 - Action steps
 - Interim data to determine outcomes of action steps
 - Timeline for goal achievement
5. Staffing update
 - Significant organizational changes
 - Vacancies
 - Performance issues
 - Recruitment
 - Professional development
6. Budget update
 - Significant budget adjustments
 - Potential issues

From: SCHEDULER
To: Mary Nicely; Bill Alnsworth; Cynthia Butler; Scott Roark; Lupita Cortez Alcala; Hiba Baloch; Missy Lundgren
Subject: FW: MSNBC 11:45am PST Interview today with anchor Katy Tur?
Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:41:21 AM

Request for live interview TODAY at 11:45a re: LAUSD strike

From: Weiss2, Michael (NBCUniversal) [mailto:Michael.Weiss2@nbcuni.com]
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To: Superintendent <Superintendent@cde.ca.gov>; SCHEDULER <SCHEDULER@cde.ca.gov>
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Hello,

We would like to invite Superintendent Thurmond to join MSNBC's Katy Tur today at 11:45am PST for a live, televised discussion on CA education and the LAUSD strike.

Should today not work we'd be interested in his earliest availability.


Many thanks,

Michael Weiss

Booking Producer

MSNBC Live with Katy Tur (2PM ET Weekdays)

Work: (212) 664-2635


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Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:55 AM
To: Bill Ainsworth
Cc: COMMUNICATIONS
Subject: Re: talking with Superintendent Thurmond on KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles--finding a way out of the LAUSD teacher's strike

Hey guys, I understand that the Superintendent is coming to L.A. today to potentially meet with LAUSD, UTLA and Mayor Garcetti.

This *really* makes us interested in talking with him live for a few minutes at 1:35pm--please let me know what's possible, with any kind of response that lets me know you at least are seeing these requests--and thanks for your help.

Best,
j

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Cc: communications@cde.ca.gov
Subject: talking with Superintendent Thurmond on KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles--finding a way out of the LAUSD teacher's strike

Good morning Bill and the Superintendent staff,

I'm writing from CBS News Radio in Los Angeles with a request to talk with Superintendent Thurmond later this afternoon for a short, live phone interview on our long-form In Depth newscast to ask the Superintendent about the path out of what is looking like a protracted teacher's strike in the LAUSD. We are curious about how the Superintendent can use his influence, both the symbolic trappings of the office and as a go-between with the District and UTLA, to bang some heads together and at least restart negotiations, which have been nonexistent since last week.

This would be a roughly 6-minute segment, with the Superintendent in conversation with my anchors (no other guests, no callers) live today at 1:35pm. When the District and UTLA seem so far apart, and clearly don't trust each other, it would seem that an outside mediator is needed to press for solutions on complicated issues like teacher pay, benefits, class sizes and resources for charter schools--all of the sticky problems that are dividing teachers and LAUSD.

Let me know what's possible for a live interview with Superintendent Thurmond at 1:35pm today and thanks so much for your help.

Best,
Jonathan

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Karen Worobey

From: Hoa Tran
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 11:17 AM
To: Elizabeth Dearstyne
Cc: Caryn Moore; Wendi McCaskill
Subject: RE: Ada waivers and LAUSD
Attachments: RE: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

Hi Elizabeth,

Below is the response that Wendi sent to Caryn for the Calaveras teacher strike in May 2018.

Contract negotiations and a teacher strike are not unforeseen or extraordinary conditions/events.

Historically a closure related to an inability to secure a teacher has been due to teachers not being able to access school due to an emergency event and school sites being in remote locations with a limited number of teachers and students (i.e. one teacher) where the district advertised for a teacher when a teacher left and could not fill the position.

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Thank you,
Hoa

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From: Caryn Moore
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 5:01 PM
To: Wendi McCaskill; Hoa Tran
Cc: Elizabeth Dearstyne
Subject: RE: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

Thank you

From: Wendi McCaskill
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 1:19 PM
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>; Hoa Tran <HTran@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

We do not know the level of effort that they went to to secure teachers. Contract negotiations and the potential for a teacher strike were not unforeseen or extraordinary conditions/events.

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Sent: Friday, May 11, 2018 3:21 PM
To: Wendi McCaskill <WMcCaskill@cde.ca.gov>; Hoa Tran <HTran@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

Could one of you fill in some gaps for me? I know we talked about it already, I just can't remember sufficient details to pass on to Nick. Specifically what I want to address is I think not being able to secure a teacher is a reason we can approve J-13's, but they've closed because they can't secure enough teachers. Did we know they didn't really try and just closed in advance, or if not that, what was the reason? I just want to lay it out to Nick in a way that is clear for him when explaining to Michelle.

From: Shawna Shepley
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2018 10:09 AM
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>; Elizabeth Dearstyne <EDearstyne@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

Hi Caryn,

All schools in Calaveras Unified were closed due to "an inability to get enough substitute teachers to operate safely during a teacher strike" on October 19-20, 2017. I have spoken with Julie Brunson, Director of Fiscal Services at Calaveras COE, to let her know we will be denying the request and she

said they assumed we would deny but submitted the J-13A anyway. We have a news article published September 12, 2017 regarding the planned strike.

Shawna

From: Caryn Moore
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2018 9:02 AM
To: Elizabeth Dearstyne <EDearstyne@cde.ca.gov>; Shawna Shepley <SShepley@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Fwd: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

FYI. Could you either give me more details thru email or give me some hard copies I can pass on?

Begin forwarded message:

From: Nick Schweizer <NSchweizer@cde.ca.gov>
Date: May 10, 2018 at 6:03:38 PM PDT
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike

Email is fine. On this one, though, I should give Michelle a heads up. So, send me some of the details.

Nick Schweizer
Deputy Superintendent
Systems Support Branch

From: Caryn Moore
Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2018 4:36 PM
To: Nick Schweizer <NSchweizer@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike
Importance: High

We're planning to deny a J-13 request that is for a teacher strike. I know we've talked before about denying these types of requests so I'm pretty sure you're ok with it. However, our understanding of the conversation you had with Peter when we brought the signature of the J-13's back down here was that you would sign the denial letters.

My question is would you like me to send all denials up to you for review and signature, or would you like me to reach out more informally thru email and if you're good conceptually I can sign, or if it's more complicated or controversial we could have a more in-depth conversation?

I'm good with whatever you want to do.

From: Shawna Shepley
Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2018 9:15 AM
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: J-13A Denial for Teacher Strike
Importance: High

Hi Caryn,

We have a J-13A for Calaveras Unified for a teacher strike. While we do not have record of ever receiving a J-13A for a teacher strike, it has been our longstanding interpretation of EC 41422 that a teacher strike is not considered an unforeseen circumstance and we have advised LEAs in the past that we would not approve. The district is aware we it will be denied.

Elizabeth and I recall an agreement with Peter that a denial letter would go to Nick for signature. Before we send it through, can you reach out to Nick and find out if he wants to sign it, or you?

Thank you,

Shawna Shepley, Manager
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From: Nick Schweizer
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 12:47 PM
To: Elizabeth Dearstyne
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Subject: RE: Ada waivers and LAUSD

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Nick Schweizer
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From: Elizabeth Dearstyne
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 11:28 AM
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Cc: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>; Hoa Tran <HTran@cde.ca.gov>; Wendi McCaskill <WMcCaskill@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: Ada waivers and LAUSD

Hi Nick,

We've not put out any global guidance but have answered questions on a case-by-case basis. Below is our guidance (last used when discussing the J-13A closure denial sent to Calaveras for their teacher strike last year):

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To: 'SHo@ap.org'
Subject: Your questions about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program
Attachments: J-7CSR data since 2008-09 with totals.xls

Hi Sally,

Thanks for your questions about the Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program's participation and outcome. LCFF replaced a lot of categorical funds including this program, and now there's the K-3 Grade Span Adjustment. As far as participation and outcome for LAUSD, I know they participated in it and we have data for [04-05](#), [05-06](#), [06-07](#), and [07-08](#) online. And I've attached a spreadsheet for participation for 08-09 through 11-12. I'm not sure exactly what you mean by outcome, but you may want to follow up with the district.



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Jonathan Mendick

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 3:06 PM
To: Julie Klein Briggs; Thi Huynh; Caryn Moore
Subject: RE: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Julie,

Can you give me the raw participation data at the LEA level in Excel format for 2008–09 through 2011–12? Do you know if it's the same kind of data from Dataquest using these links for [04-05](#), [05-06](#), [06-07](#), and [07-08](#)?

Thanks,

Jonathan

From: Julie Klein Briggs
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 12:46 PM
To: Thi Huynh <THuynh@cde.ca.gov>; Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>; Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Jonathan,

Regarding the questions below, SFSD cannot speak to outcomes of the K–3 CSR program, LEAs were not required to report any outcomes data to CDE. There was also a program office assigned to implementing the program, Shannon Farrell-Hart was one of the former contacts and may have other historical information.

What we do have available in SFSD is the following:

- Apportionment letters which contain some programmatic details and instructions to LEAs
 - o Complete data is easily available for 2007–08 through 2012–13
- Apportionment schedules which provide the amount of funding that each LEA received in the various payments
 - o Complete data is easily available for 2007–08 through 2012–13
- Raw participation data at the LEA level in Excel format, we have data for 2008–09 through 2011–12, we do not have the 2012–13 participation data readily available
- Data for the Legislative Report/Notification of Apportionment for 2010–11 through 2012–13, it is my understanding that the legislative notifications were not required prior to 2010–11. The advance apportionment notification provided a breakdown between the Option 1 (full day) and Option 2 (half day) funding and total advance apportionment amounts, subsequent apportionments provided the total entitlements and the respective apportionment amounts.

If you would like any of this information, please let me know.

Thank you,

Julie

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Cc: Julie Klein Briggs <JBriggs@cde.ca.gov>
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Hi Jonathan,

We are doing some research and will get back to you shortly.

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Hi Jonathan,

I'm referring your question to Julie Klein Briggs and Thi Huynh in my division. I'm hoping Julie has some history with that program and can share information with you.

Caryn

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 3:52 PM
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Caryn,

Sally Ho from the Associated Press is asking several questions about the former Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program (see full questions below). I already talked to Nick Schewizer about this and I understand that LCFF replaced the program, and now there's the K-3 Grade Span Adjustment.

But she also wants to know what LAUSD's participation and outcomes were in the Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program.

I'm not entirely sure how to answer those questions other than to send her data. I see that we have participation data for [04-05](#), [05-06](#), [06-07](#), and [07-08](#), but those are the only years I could find. Do you know where other years' data might be? As far as outcomes, I can give her [average class size by district](#), but that's for all grades, not just K-3. So, basically, I don't think I have a clear picture or data on participation and outcomes. She might have to PRA us for this historical data, which we may not have—or ask the district. Is this a question you can help me answer?

Thanks for your help.

Jonathan

From: Ho, Sally [<mailto:SHo@ap.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:58 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: Your question about class sizes

Why did the program end in 2012-13 and what can you tell me about participation and outcomes, particularly with LAUSD?

Thanks,
Sally

From: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:25 PM
To: Ho, Sally <SHo@ap.org>
Subject: Your question about class sizes

Hi Sally,

Thanks for your questions about policies and incentives to lower class sizes.

California *Education Code* (EC) sections 41376 and 41378 prescribe the maximum class sizes and penalties for districts with any classes that exceed the limits established in 1964: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/pa/cefcsp.asp>.

From 1996-97 through 2012-13, there was the Class Size Reduction (K-3) program that provided funds to school districts and charter schools that reduced one or more classes to 20 pupils or fewer per certificated teacher: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/pr/csrk3.asp>.

Under LCFF, there's the K–3 Grade Span Adjustment, which still gives extra funding to schools with smaller class sizes. It's an adjustment equal to 10.4 percent of the K–3 base grant for maintaining a 24-1 student-teacher ratio. There's also a way for districts to agree to a collectively bargained alternative to the statutory K–3 GSA requirements: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/lcffaqa.asp#K3GSA>.



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Attachments: J-7CSR data since 2008-09 with totals.xls

Hi Jonathan,

See attached Excel file for the raw participation data from 2008–09 through 2011–12. We do not have data in the same format that you referred to below, I believe that data was compiled by the program office. In looking at DataQuest, I'm seeing school level information for average class size; also the EdData site has data through 2014–15 in the format below which includes grade level.

Let me know if you need any additional details.

Thanks,
Julie

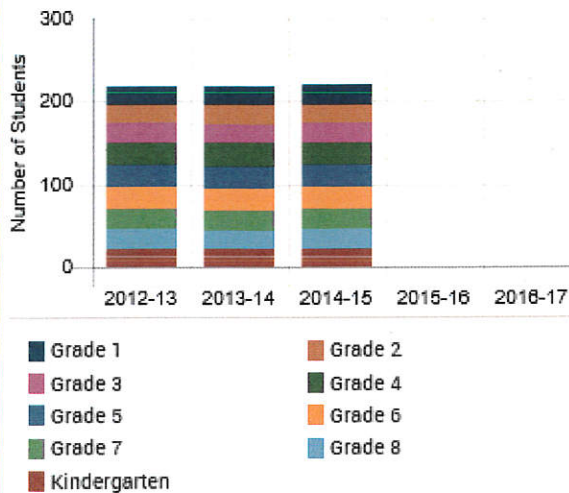
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Average Class Size By Grade

Los Angeles Unified

CDS Code 19-64733-0000000

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Average Class Size By Grade	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Grade 1	22.6	22.8	22.6	N/A	N/A
Grade 2	22.4	22.9	22.8	N/A	N/A
Grade 3	22.4	22.8	22.8	N/A	N/A
Grade 4	27.6	27.7	27.4	N/A	N/A
Grade 5	27.8	28.0	27.8	N/A	N/A
Grade 6	26.4	26.7	25.9	N/A	N/A
Grade 7	22.3	22.5	24.7	N/A	N/A
Grade 8	24.7	21.7	22.6	N/A	N/A
Kindergarten	22.4	22.8	22.4	N/A	N/A

Chart Notes

Source

This graph presents the average class size by grade for this district. Average class size is the number of students enrolled in classes divided by the number of classes. The data in this table are calculated using the California Department of Education's "filtered" definition of **average class size**, which excludes certain counts such as classes with

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Can you give me the raw participation data at the LEA level in Excel format for 2008–09 through 2011–12? Do you know if it's the same kind of data from Dataquest using these links for [04-05](#), [05-06](#), [06-07](#), and [07-08](#)?

Thanks,

Jonathan

From: Julie Klein Briggs

Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 12:46 PM

To: Thi Huynh <THuynh@cde.ca.gov>; Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>; Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>

Subject: RE: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Jonathan,

Regarding the questions below, SFSD cannot speak to outcomes of the K–3 CSR program, LEAs were not required to report any outcomes data to CDE. There was also a program office assigned to implementing the program, Shannon Farrell-Hart was one of the former contacts and may have other historical information.

What we do have available in SFSD is the following:

- Apportionment letters which contain some programmatic details and instructions to LEAs
 - o Complete data is easily available for 2007–08 through 2012–13
- Apportionment schedules which provide the amount of funding that each LEA received in the various payments
 - o Complete data is easily available for 2007–08 through 2012–13
- Raw participation data at the LEA level in Excel format, we have data for 2008–09 through 2011–12, we do not have the 2012–13 participation data readily available
- Data for the Legislative Report/Notification of Apportionment for 2010–11 through 2012–13, it is my understanding that the legislative notifications were not required prior to 2010–11. The advance apportionment notification provided a breakdown between the Option 1 (full day) and Option 2 (half day) funding and total advance apportionment amounts, subsequent apportionments provided the total entitlements and the respective apportionment amounts.

If you would like any of this information, please let me know.

Thank you,
Julie

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Subject: RE: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Jonathan,

We are doing some research and will get back to you shortly.

Thi

From: Caryn Moore
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 4:55 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Cc: Julie Klein Briggs <JBriggs@cde.ca.gov>; Thi Huynh <THuynh@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Jonathan,

I'm referring your question to Julie Klein Briggs and Thi Huynh in my division. I'm hoping Julie has some history with that program and can share information with you.

Caryn

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 3:52 PM
To: Caryn Moore <CMoore@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry about Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program

Hi Caryn,

Sally Ho from the Associated Press is asking several questions about the former Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program (see full questions below). I already talked to Nick Schewizer about this and I understand that LCFF replaced the program, and now there's the K-3 Grade Span Adjustment.

But she also wants to know what LAUSD's participation and outcomes were in the Class Size Reduction (K-3) Program. I'm not entirely sure how to answer those questions other than to send her data. I see that we have participation data for [04-05](#), [05-06](#), [06-07](#), and [07-08](#), but those are the only years I could find. Do you know where other years' data might be? As far as outcomes, I can give her [average class size by district](#), but that's for all grades, not just K-3. So, basically, I

don't think I have a clear picture or data on participation and outcomes. She might have to PRA us for this historical data, which we may not have—or ask the district. Is this a question you can help me answer?

Thanks for your help.

Jonathan

From: Ho, Sally [<mailto:SHo@ap.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:58 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: RE: Your question about class sizes

Why did the program end in 2012-13 and what can you tell me about participation and outcomes, particularly with LAUSD?

Thanks,
Sally

From: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:25 PM
To: Ho, Sally <SHo@ap.org>
Subject: Your question about class sizes

Hi Sally,

Thanks for your questions about policies and incentives to lower class sizes.

California *Education Code* (EC) sections 41376 and 41378 prescribe the maximum class sizes and penalties for districts with any classes that exceed the limits established in 1964: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/pa/cefcsp.asp>.

From 1996-97 through 2012-13, there was the Class Size Reduction (K-3) program that provided funds to school districts and charter schools that reduced one or more classes to 20 pupils or fewer per certificated teacher: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/re/pr/csrk3.asp>.

Under LCFF, there's the K–3 Grade Span Adjustment, which still gives extra funding to schools with smaller class sizes. It's an adjustment equal to 10.4 percent of the K–3 base grant for maintaining a 24-1 student-teacher ratio. There's also a way for districts to agree to a collectively bargained alternative to the statutory K–3 GSA requirements: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/aa/lc/lcfffaq.asp#K3GSA>.



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From: Guadalupe Romo-Zendejas
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 6:52 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick
Cc: ELCDDATA; Sarah Neville-Morgan; Julian Cuevas; Amy Tang-Paterno
Subject: RE: Media inquiry: Preschool kids in L.A. Unified
Attachments: 1 LAUSD Factsheet 01.14.19.snm.docx

Good evening Jonathan,

I am responding to the media inquiry submitted to EESDData. Early Learning and Care Division (ELCD) has developed a fact sheet (attached) regarding ELCD programs operated by LAUSD. As you will see in the fact sheet there are 12,291 children enrolled in California State Preschool programs operated by LAUSD. This figure does not include children enrolled in programs funded through other sources, such as Head Start or those funded through the district LCFF.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Lupe

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From: ELCDDATA
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 1:18 PM
To: Guadalupe Romo-Zendejas <GRomozen@cde.ca.gov>
Cc: ELCDDATA <ELCDDATA@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: Media inquiry: Preschool kids in L.A. Unified

Hi Lupe,

Please see below, an email received in the ELCDDATA inbox from the Communications Division. Please advise if you would like me to respond to the requestor via the ELCDDATA inbox (i.e., seek further clarification of the nature of the data request and provide a data product) or if you prefer to respond to this request directly.

Thank you,
Makenna

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:46 AM
To: ELCDDATA <ELCDDATA@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry: Preschool kids in L.A. Unified

Hi ELCD Data Team,

Jonathan from the communications division here. Reporter Linda Jacobson of Education Dive is asking if we have data for the number of preschool kids in L.A. Unified.

Is this something you can help us answer?

Thank you,



Jonathan Mendick

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Jonathan Mendick

From: Linda Jacobson <ljacobson@industrydive.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 5:03 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick
Subject: Re: Your question about preschool kids in LAUSD

Thanks so much.

On Jan 17, 2019, at 4:38 PM, Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov> wrote:

Hi Linda,

Thanks for your question about the number of preschool kids in LAUSD. There are 12,291 children enrolled in California State Preschool programs operated by LAUSD. This figure does not include children enrolled in programs funded through other sources, such as Head Start or those funded through the district LCFF.

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Jonathan Mendick

From: Cynthia Butler
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:44 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick
Subject: Re: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

There was confusion about this because David K. answered a parent and she pasted it on social media. Whatever he said she confused it with ADA. I know the districts can't use waivers to recover ADA during the strike based on EdCode, but I'll check with him on students missing school. I think they can be considered truant, because it is not an excused absence. I'll let you and Scott know what he says in case it comes up again.

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:58 PM
To: Cynthia Butler
Subject: FW: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

Hi Cynthia,

Do you happen to know the answer to this? I'm leaning towards just telling him it's a district issue. I think it's more of an absenteeism issue than an ADA issue.

Please let me know if you want to take it or know anything about it.

Thanks,

Jonathan

From: COMMUNICATIONS
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:36 AM
To: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

ADA question? Let me know if I should route elsewhere.

Thanks,

Jesse

From: Alamillo, Abel (NBCUniversal) [<mailto:Abel.Alamillo@nbcuni.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:13 AM
To: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

HELLO,

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THANKS,

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Jonathan Mendick

From: COMMUNICATIONS
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:33 AM
To: Jonathan Mendick
Subject: FW: Strike/budgeting question from LA School Report

From: Laura Fay [mailto:laurafay@the74million.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:28 AM
To: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: Strike/budgeting question from LA School Report

Hello again, Just wanted to see if there was any chance we'd be able to get an answer on this. We are running a story later today about just how much money the district is not getting because of this strike, and it would be great to know what's happening to that funding, if anyone knows. Or, is it the case that no one knows where that money would go?

Thanks,
Laura

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 2:16 PM Laura Fay <laurafay@the74million.org> wrote:

Thanks!

Laura

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 1:59 PM COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov> wrote:

Hi Laura,

Sorry you have not received a response. I will follow up with staff. Please let me know if you need additional assistance.

Thanks,

Jesse



Jesse L Nix

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From: Laura Fay [mailto:laurafay@the74million.org]
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 10:53 AM
To: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: Strike/budgeting question from LA School Report

Hi Jesse, I just wanted to follow up on this, as I have not heard from anyone and am still looking for an answer about the extra funding. My deadline is 5 pm PST today for a story related to attendance data (but I'd still love an answer even if it came later than that).

Thanks,

Laura

On Thu, Jan 10, 2019 at 4:27 PM COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov> wrote:

Hi Laura,

Thanks for the email! I will forward to staff. If you need further assistance, please let me know.

Thanks,

Jesse



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From: Laura Fay [mailto:laurafay@the74million.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 10, 2019 1:04 PM
To: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Strike/budgeting question from LA School Report

Hello,

I'm an education reporter at The74/LA School Report, and I'm currently working on our coverage of the pending strike in Los Angeles. Here's one big question I'm hoping you can answer:

If there is a strike in Los Angeles, and a significant number of students miss school for a few days, that's going to mean that the district gets significantly less money than it would in a normal year based on average daily attendance — probably less than the state has budgeted to spend on LAUSD this year. What would happen to that leftover money that the state cannot allocate to the district?

My deadline for this is midday Monday.

Thanks!
Laura Fay

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Cynthia Butler

From: David George <David@stnmedia.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 10:02 AM
To: Cynthia Butler
Subject: Re: media request question on the LAUSD strike

Hi Cynthia:

I added those comments into my story, which is posted at:

<https://stnonline.com/featured/los-angeles-unified-sd-strike-begins-school-buses-roll-anyway/>

Please continue to email me your announcements on this, going forward.

Best regards and thanks,

Dave

From: Cynthia Butler <CButler@cde.ca.gov>
Date: Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 9:48 AM
To: David George <David@stnmedia.com>
Subject: re: media request question on the LAUSD strike

Hi David,
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From: Cynthia Butler
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:35 AM
To: 'Ryan Turner'
Subject: RE: SSPI Tony Thurmond Re: Friday 9 a.m. Show

Great. Thanks!

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From: Ryan Turner [mailto:Ryan.Turner@FOXTV.COM]
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:31 AM
To: Cynthia Butler <CButler@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: SSPI Tony Thurmond Re: Friday 9 a.m. Show

Hi Cynthia,

Thank you for making this happen. The timing is correct. He will be done by 9:40.

Yes, both LA and Oakland topics would be great. I will provide the topics the anchor would like to discuss later this morning when I have the chance to talk to them and find out which anchor will be doing the interview.

When he arrives he should ask for me and make sure he brings his id, Security will ask for it for him to be able to enter the premises.

Unfortunately we don't have a makeup artist on hand.

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Cynthia Butler

From: Cynthia Butler
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 8:34 AM
To: 'Abel.Alamillo@nbcuni.com'
Subject: RE: Media Inquiry NBC Universal RE: LAUSD Strike and Student Absences

Hi Abel,

Thank you for contacting the California Department of Education. Please see answers to your questions below:

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State law allows school administrators to determine when an absence should be excused due to the particular circumstances of the student.

If the absences are excused by a school administrator, then students are allowed to make up assignments and the absences do not constitute truancy. The laws for truancy are on the CDE Web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ai/tr/>

The first law on our Truancy Web page is the law that defines what a truant is in California, *Education Code* Section 48260.

Section 48260(c) describes the discretion school administrators have in deciding what is excused when an absence is due to something like a strike:

(c) For purposes of this article, a valid excuse includes, but is not limited to, the reasons for which a pupil shall be excused from school pursuant to Sections 48205 and 48225.5 and may include other reasons that are within the discretion of school administrators and, based on the facts of the pupil's circumstances, are deemed to constitute a valid excuse.

Parents may request that a school administrator excuse an absence by informing a school administrator of the facts of the pupil's circumstances and explaining why those particular circumstances should constitute a valid excuse.

For example, a parent may request that an absence be excused due to safety concerns.

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When he arrives should he ask for you? Can I provide your cell number and newsroom number as the best contact numbers if something comes up and he needs to reach you?

Lastly which anchor will conduct the interview? Do you have a makeup person or powder available? Studio lights can be a little hot. No issues if you don't.

Regards,

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From: COMMUNICATIONS
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 9:35 PM
To: DL-Communications
Subject: State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Statement on the teachers' strike in LAUSD



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**State Superintendent Tony Thurmond Statement
on the teachers' strike in LAUSD**

LOS ANGELES— State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond traveled to Los Angeles today to meet with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and leaders from both sides involved in the teachers' strike that is happening in the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD).

Thurmond has been in communication with officials from both sides since taking office, trying to help resolve their disagreements.

The outcome of those prior discussions, paired with progress from today's meetings, has Thurmond feeling hopeful that the LAUSD and United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA) are heading in a positive direction to resolve the conflict.

Thurmond is pleased to announce that the parties agreed to return to the bargaining table. He remains committed to do everything he can to bring the strike to prompt resolution.

"I want to thank all of those in Los Angeles that have spoken with me over the last few weeks," Thurmond said. "Your stories are genuine and your concerns are valid. We made great progress today and I am certain that together we will get throughout this and we will get our kids back to school."

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The California Department of Education is a state agency led by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. For more information, please visit the California Department of Education's website. You may also follow Superintendent Thurmond on Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Cynthia Butler
Cc: David Singer
Subject: Re: talking with Superintendent Thurmond on KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles--finding a way out of the LAUSD teacher's strike

I'm copying my colleague David Singer, who would be doing the interview with Superintendent Thurmond. He is wide open for a phone call with the Superintendent at pretty much any point from 2 - 6pm, but sooner the better; and we shouldn't need Mr. Thurmond for longer than 6 or 7 minutes, at most.

Let us know what's possible and thanks again for your help today.

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What is the Superintendent's availability later this afternoon?

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To: Cynthia Butler
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Another email from CBS radio.

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From: Jonathan Serviss [mailto:Jonathan.Serviss@entercom.com]
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Cc: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: talking with Superintendent Thurmond on KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles--finding a way out of the LAUSD teacher's strike

Hey guys, I understand that the Superintendent is coming to L.A. today to potentially meet with LAUSD, UTLA and Mayor Garcetti.

This *really* makes us interested in talking with him live for a few minutes at 1:35pm--please let me know what's possible, with any kind of response that lets me know you at least are seeing these requests--and thanks for your help.

Best,
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Cynthia Butler

From: Bill Ainsworth
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:25 AM
To: Linda.Hall@latimes.com
Subject: Superintendent Thurmond and the LAUSD strike

Hi Linda,

I just want to let you know that State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond is in contact with all the parties involved in the LAUSD strike and working to try to end it.

Also, my last day is Thursday, but please direct any inquiries to Cynthia Butler at cbutler@cde.ca.gov.



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Cynthia Butler

From: COMMUNICATIONS
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 9:30 AM
To: Cynthia Butler; Bill Ainsworth
Subject: FW: talking with Superintendent Thurmond on KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles--finding a way out of the LAUSD teacher's strike

A more formal request from CBS 12 Radio (below). This is the same thing that I was talking about in my message.

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Cynthia Butler

From: David Kopperud
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 3:07 PM
To: Cynthia Butler
Subject: RE: Media Inquiry NBC Universal RE: LAUSD Strike and Student Absences

Hi Cynthia,

State law allows school administrators to determine when an absence should be excused due to the particular circumstances of the student.

If the absences are excused by a school administrator, then students are allowed to make up assignments and the absences do not constitute truancy. The laws for truancy are on the CDE Web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ai/tr/>

The first law on our Truancy Web page is the law that defines what a truant is in California, *Education Code* Section 48260.

Section 48260(c) describes the discretion school administrators have in deciding what is excused when an absence is due to something like a strike:

(c) For purposes of this article, a valid excuse includes, but is not limited to, the reasons for which a pupil shall be excused from school pursuant to Sections 48205 and 48225.5 and may include other reasons that are within the discretion of school administrators and, based on the facts of the pupil's circumstances, are deemed to constitute a valid excuse.

Parents may request that a school administrator excuse an absence by informing a school administrator of the facts of the pupil's circumstances and explaining why those particular circumstances should constitute a valid excuse.

For example, a parent may request that an absence be excused due to safety concerns.

The final decision about excusing a school absence is made by the school administrator.

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From: Cynthia Butler
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:51 PM
To: David Kopperud <DKopperud@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: Media Inquiry NBC Universal RE: LAUSD Strike and Student Absences

Hi David,
Can you assist me in answering the reporter's question below?

1. ARE THERE ANY CONSEQUENCES IF FAMILIES DECIDE TO KEEP THEIR KIDS AT HOME DURING THE STRIKE (WITH THE PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING THEIR TEACHERS)?

2, IS THERE A STATEWIDE MANDATE THAT DICTATES WHAT'S ALLOWED/NOT ALLOWED? OR IS THIS ISSUE DEALT WITH AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL?

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Regards,
Cynthia

Cynthia Butler

From: Cynthia Butler
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:44 PM
To: Jonathan Mendick
Subject: Re: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

There was confusion about this because David K. answered a parent and she pasted it on social media. Whatever he said she confused it with ADA. I know the districts can't use waivers to recover ADA during the strike based on EdCode, but I'll check with him on students missing school. I think they can be considered truant, because it is not an excused absence. I'll let you and Scott know what he says in case it comes up again.

From: Jonathan Mendick
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:58 PM
To: Cynthia Butler
Subject: FW: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

Hi Cynthia,

Do you happen to know the answer to this? I'm leaning towards just telling him it's a district issue. I think it's more of an absenteeism issue than an ADA issue.

Please let me know if you want to take it or know anything about it.

Thanks,

Jonathan

From: COMMUNICATIONS
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:36 AM
To: Jonathan Mendick <JMendick@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: FW: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

ADA question? Let me know if I should route elsewhere.

Thanks,

Jesse

From: Alamillo, Abel (NBCUniversal) [<mailto:Abel.Alamillo@nbcuni.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:13 AM
To: COMMUNICATIONS <COMMUNICATIONS@cde.ca.gov>
Subject: ABSENCES DURING LAUSD STRIKE

HELLO,

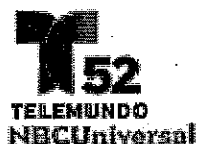
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From: Bill Ainsworth
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 10:20 PM
To: Cynthia Butler; Scott Roark; Jonathan Mendick
Subject: All Los Angeles Unified K-12 Schools Open, 141,631 Students Attend Class
Attachments: LAUSD Statement_All Los Angeles Unified K-12 Schools Open_141,631 Students Attend Class_011419.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Fyi

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Lupita Cortez Alcala <LAAlcala@cde.ca.gov>
Date: January 14, 2019 at 6:41:02 PM PST
To: Tony Thurmond <tonythurmond1@gmail.com>
Cc: Bill Ainsworth <BAinsworth@cde.ca.gov>, Nick Schweizer <NSchweizer@cde.ca.gov>, Tom Adams <TAdams@cde.ca.gov>, Keric Ashley <KAshley@cde.ca.gov>, Amy Holloway <AHollowa@cde.ca.gov>
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FYI

From: Ruacho, Enrique [<mailto:enrique.ruacho@lausd.net>]
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 6:03 PM
To: Ruacho, Enrique <enrique.ruacho@lausd.net>
Cc: Salcido, Pedro <pedro.salcido@lausd.net>; Dunn, Jeffrey <jeffrey.dunn@lausd.net>; Pagter, Colleen <colleen.pagter@lausd.net>
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News Statement

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Shannon Haber (213) 241-6766

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Los Angeles Unified principals today reported providing instruction to 141,631 students at 1,240 schools on the first day of a strike by UTLA.

The number is incomplete because 54 schools had yet to submit reports as of late afternoon Monday through Los Angeles Unified's internal attendance system. Principals were instructed in advance to focus on the safety and well-being of their students, which contributed to delays in reporting attendance.

Los Angeles Unified elementary, middle and high schools will be open tomorrow and throughout the UTLA strike. Early education centers will only be open to special-needs students. State preschool sites will remain closed.

"Our principals, educators and staff work hard every day to ensure every student gets the best possible education and today was no different," said Los Angeles Unified Superintendent Austin Beutner. "We are extremely grateful for their continued commitment and hard work. We are doing everything we can to continue to deliver on the promise of a great education for our students and their families. We call on UTLA leadership to return to negotiations to end this disruptive strike."

On the first day of the strike, Los Angeles Unified continued to serve meals at all schools and transported 8,560 students on school buses to schools. This represents nearly 40% of the average daily student ridership.

For more information, parents and families should visit lausd.net or call Los Angeles Unified's dedicated strike hotline at 213-443-1300 from 5 a.m. to 4 p.m. Staff answered 2,759 calls today from parents and family members, including 565 calls in Spanish.

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From: Bill Ainsworth
Sent: Monday, January 14, 2019 9:29 AM
To: Cynthia Butler
Subject: Re: KPCC/NPR Los Angeles Interview Request - Teacher Strike/ Deadline 1/13

Hi Cynthia,

I worked on that request from 5 pm to 10:30.

Tony eventually decided he could not do it because it was before 10 am.

Bill

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 14, 2019, at 9:17 AM, Cynthia Butler <CButler@cde.ca.gov> wrote:

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From: "Cross, Austin" <across@scpr.org>
Date: Friday, January 11, 2019 at 1:25 PM
To: "Tony@TonyThurmond.com" <Tony@TonyThurmond.com>
Cc: "Larson, Megan" <mlarson@scpr.org>
Subject: KPCC/NPR Los Angeles Interview - Teacher Strike

Hi Tony,

My name is Austin Cross, and I'm a producer for NPR station KPCC in Los Angeles.

As you probably know, teachers in Los Angeles could begin striking as early as Monday:

<https://www.latimes.com/local/education/la-me-edu-laUSD-teachers-strike-court-ruling-20190110-story.html>

I'm reaching out to see if you would be available to speak to us about it Monday on our morning news program, Take Two.

Specifically, we'd be interested in hearing your reaction to this news.

The interview would happen in the 9 AM hour, can be done by phone and would last about seven minutes.

Please let me know what's possible.

Best,

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Date: Friday, January 11, 2019 at 1:25 PM
To: "Tony@TonyThurmond.com" <Tony@TonyThurmond.com>
Cc: "Larson, Megan" <mlarson@scpr.org>
Subject: KPCC/NPR Los Angeles Interview - Teacher Strike

Hi Tony,

My name is Austin Cross, and I'm a producer for NPR station KPCC in Los Angeles.

As you probably know, teachers in Los Angeles could begin striking as early as Monday:

<https://www.latimes.com/local/education/la-me-edu-laUSD-teachers-strike-court-ruling-20190110-story.html>

I'm reaching out to see if you would be available to speak to us about it Monday on our morning news program, Take Two.

Specifically, we'd be interested in hearing your reaction to this news.

The interview would happen in the 9 AM hour, can be done by phone and would last about seven minutes.

Please let me know what's possible.

Best,

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Sent: Friday, January 18, 2019 2:00 PM
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Checking now Cynthia

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To whom it may concern

I received this email today and wanted to forward it off to the correct people.

Please let me know if I can assist any further.



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Cc: Ryan Gray <Ryan@stnonline.com>
Subject: Hi Anna; media request question on the LAUSD strike

Hello Anna:

I have been writing a daily web report on the LAUSD strike, and wanted to include comments and any applicable data from the CA Dept. of Education.

If you could reply please with a few sentences, or a press release/announcement that we could include in our article, or as a separate post, that would be great, thanks.

Also, on a going-forward basis, we would like to be able to include any brief comments that you could email me for inclusion in our ongoing daily article.

Below is the article link for today's post:

<https://stnonline.com/news/los-angeles-unified-sd-strike-begins-school-buses-roll-anyway/>

Best regards,

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